



# SADDLE BROOK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## **COVID-19 School Notification - TEMPORARY SCHOOL CLOSURE**

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This letter is to inform you that we need to shift to a **VIRTUAL LEARNING DAY** for **Helen I. Smith School for ONE DAY on Friday 2/26/2021** pending COVID-19 test results of **4 symptomatic individuals** within the school and in multiple classrooms who were last in the building on 2/24. This, in conjunction with the other positive case reported to families yesterday, puts the school at risk for potential outbreak. This situation is being monitored closely, and further communication will be forthcoming.

Cleaning and disinfecting of all exposed areas is being completed. The school is also taking precautions to prevent the introduction and spread of viruses and other germs, cleaning frequently touched surfaces daily, multiple times daily, and sometimes by the hour. We utilize numerous approved disinfecting and cleaning products that destroy COVID-19 as well as other viruses and bacteria. We are monitoring the status of this situation very closely.

We understand the level of concern regarding COVID-19. We encourage parents and students to continue following the [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention](#) promoted safeguards, such as:

- Avoiding social gatherings;
- Staying home when you are sick;
- Washing hands often with soap often and for at least 20 seconds;
- Covering coughs and sneezes and properly disposing of tissues;
- Limiting close contact with people who are sick and not sharing food, drinks and utensils;
- Practicing social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart);
- Wearing a face covering;
- Getting a flu shot to prevent taxing the medical systems with flu outbreak; and
- Continuing to monitor your health for COVID related symptoms.

As always, we appreciate our community's support and cooperation. You can assist us by remaining vigilant but sensible in your approach to dealing with this health concern. **We are relying on parents to guide their children in making good choices about social distancing and mask wearing when outside of school.**

Inattention to these matters can eventually bring the virus into the schools and impact all of the good work we are trying to do. Should you have any questions about this situation, please feel free to contact your school nurse or your principal.

With all good wishes for continued health,

See COVID-19 RESOURCES [HERE](#)